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This folktales collection includes 35 versions, representing countries and cultures from around the world, of the traditional tale in which a dangerous character knocks at the door and tries to trick the children into letting him inside. The stories are intended for use in homes, schools, and libraries by both children and adults who enjoy sharing tales. The arrangement of the book places the tales so that beginning with Aesop's Fable each additional tale shares a more developed and expansive variation of the initial theme while gaining resonance from the tales around it. The volume also includes a tale notes section which lists each tale's source or sources, the date, place, and manner of tale collection, and the contextual information. An essay section provides a comparative overview of the tales, examines illustrations, explores ways educators can develop awareness of cultural context and integrate tales into the curriculum, and offers a bibliographic essay of materials. The book concludes with a 105-item bibliography of resources and an index. (CK)

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